(d) if so, the time by which these recommendations are to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). Urban Development is primarily the responsibility of the State Govt/ UT Admn. The allocation of funds for Urban Development purpose are made by the State Governments/Union Territory in their annual budgets in consultation with the Union Planning Commission. The Government of Indla plays mainly a nodal role.

A special grant of Rs. 100 crores was sanctioned in the year 1985 for slum upgradation and housing for the city of Bombay.

The 9th Finance Commission in its recommendation had suggested that a sum of Rs. 50 crores be allotted on matching basis to the Govt. of West Bengal and Maharashtra to tackle the acute problem of slum improvement and housing in the cities of Calcutta and Bombay.

(c) and (d) The recommendations of the National Commission on Urbanisation to provide greater amount to these four cities has not been accepted.

Industrial Growth Centres in Maharashtra

3346. SHRI MUKUL WASNIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to undertake the development of certain areas in Maharashtra as centrally sponsored Industrial Growth Centres;

(b) if so, the areas selected for the purposes ; and

(c) the guidelines followed in the selection process?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). Under the Growth Centre Scheme, five growth centres are proposed to be set up in Maharashtra, one each in the districts of Akola, Chandrapur, Dhule, Nanded and Ratnagiri. The scheme would be implemented during the Eighth Five Year Plan period.

The criteria followed for selection of Growth Centres under the scheme are, locations away from cities, proximity to District/ Sub-Divisional headquarters and access to basic infrastructural facilities like National/ State Highways, Railheads, Power, Wateer Supply Telecommunication, Health and Educational institution.

Committee on Preparation of Recommendations for Administrative Reforms

3347. SHRI MUKUL WASNIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any plans to contitute a committee to prepare recommendations for administrative reforms ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI. MARGARET ALVA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

Assessment of functioning of UPSC

3348. SHRI MUKUL BALLKRISHNA WASNIK: Wili the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Goverrment have any plans to assess the functionimg of the

Union Public Service Commission; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI. MARGARET ALVA): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise .

[*Translation*]

Industries set up in Orissa

3349. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the details of industries set up under Industrial Policy of 1980 in Orissa during the last two years;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): Under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951, 36 Letters of Intent and 9 Industrial Licences have been granted during the years 1989 and 1990 for setting up of the Industrial units in Orissa.

District Level Planning Boards in States

3350. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have issued directives to all the State Governments to constitute district level planning boards and district level Planning centres during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, whether all the State Governments have constituted these boards; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (c). Planning and allocation of funds for development of areas is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, Planning Commission has been urging the State Governments through guidelines issued from time to time, that the planning process should percolat to the district level and below. Allocation of untied funds to facilitate local initiative in planning is encouraged. Financial assistance is also extended for strengthening of planning machinery both at the district and State levels.

Most of the States already have planning and monitoring bodies at district level. These are known varyingly as District Planning Boards, District Development Councils, District Planning and Development Councils, etc. These functions have been entrusted to Zila Parishads in some cases. Composition and responsibility of these bodies vary from State to State.

In the Eighth Five Year Plan 1992-97, which is under formulation, high priority will continue to be accorded to this area.

Industries set up in U.P.

3351. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industries set up in Bareilly, Rampur and Badaun districts of Uttar Pradesh with the assistance provided by the Central Government during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up some more industries; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?